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SUBJECT: PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS ON INDIAN ATOMIC ENERGY
DEVELOPMENT

1. NUCLEAR AFFAIRS CONTINUE TO BE A FOCUS OF ATTENTION
IN THE INDIAN PARLIAMENT. THE FOLLOWING IS THE GOI-
SUPPLIED TEXT OF THE QUESTIONS POSED IN THE LOK SABHA
AUGUST 3 BY JANATA MP DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

"WILL THE MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY BE PLEASED TO
STATE:

(A) WHETHER THERE IS ANY PROPOSAL AT HAND TO DEVELOP
A TOTALLY INDIGENOUS NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR;

(B) IF SO, THE ACTION TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT IN THE
MATTER; AND

(C) WHETHER GOVERNMENT PROPOSE TO HAVE A TIME-BOUND
PROGRAMME FOR EVOLVING AN APPROPRIATE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY
RELEVANT TO INDIAN CONDITIONS WITH SPECIAL APPLICATIONS TO
TO THE GENERATION OF POWER?"

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"(A) GOVERNMENT'S POLICY IS TO CONSTRUCT NUCLEAR
POWER REACTORS WITH MAXIMUM INDIGENOUS MATERIALS AND
COMPONENTS.

(B) GOVERNMENT HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO DEVELOP MANUFACTURING
CAPABILITY WITHIN THE COUNTRY FOR PRACTICALLY

THE ENTIRE RANGE OF MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS REQUIRED FOR NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS. THE PARTICIPATION OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR INDUSTRIES HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY ENLISTED IN THIS ACTIVITY. CERTAIN SPECIALISED MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS ARE MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY.

(C) HEAVY WATER MODERATED AND COOLED NATURAL URANIUM-FUELED REACTORS OF THE TYPE PRESENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION ARE CONSIDERED SUITABLE IN INDIAN CONDITIONS FOR GENERATION OF POWER."

2. IN REPLY TO ANOTHER QUESTION THE PRIME MINISTER STATED: "A CONTRACT WAS SIGNED WITH M/S. TECHSNABEXPORT, MOSCOW, USSR ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1976 FOR SUPPLY OF 200 METRIC TONNES OF HEAVY WATER BETWEEN 1976 AND 1978."

3. ONLY WRITTEN ANSWERS WERE PROVIDED BY THE GOI TO THESE QUESTIONS, WHICH HAD BEEN MARKED FOR AN ORAL RESPONSE, DUE TO THE LACK OF TIME AT THE AUGUST 3 SESSION. THERE WAS THEREFORE NO OPPORTUNITY OFFERED TO THE MP'S TO POSE SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS.GOHEEN

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